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SUBJECT
Layout of the Pyongyang Telephone Central

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to design a new telephone central for Pyongyang which initially would be equipped with five thousand stations with plans for a subsequent expansion in three years to 10 thousand stations. The telephone central is located in a complex of government buildings, between Stalin Ave and Kim-Ir-Szen Place. Other buildings include a bank, an old Ministry of Defense building, boiler house, new Ministry of Defense under construction and post office, also under construction. 50X1-HUM

in October 1955, the plans had been approved, and the construction was underway. It was scheduled to be completed in late 1956. in May 1957

the new telephone central was completely in operation. 50X1-HUM

5. The Pyongyang central is a four story building, constructed of reinforced concrete. The basement, first and second floors, contain the automatic equipment and controls for the operation of the stations. The equipment was produced in East Germany. The chief engineer for the East German plant where the equipment was produced was in North Korea inspecting communication equipment. The second floor of the building houses the office of the telephone central. The third and fourth floors are 50X1-HUM

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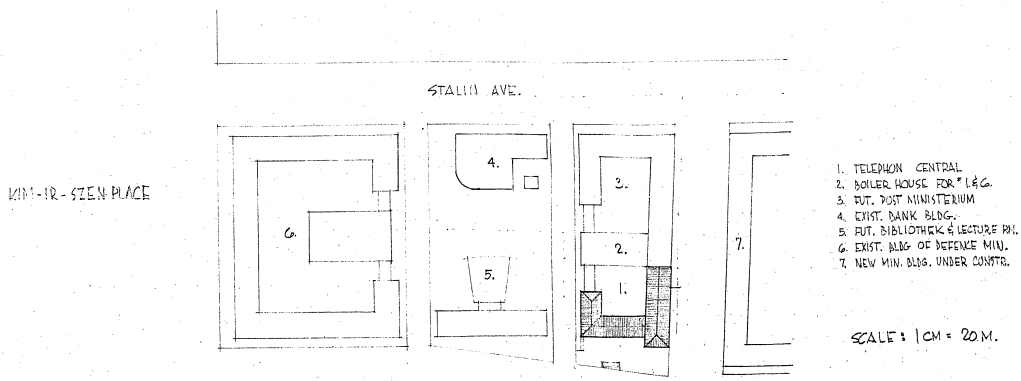
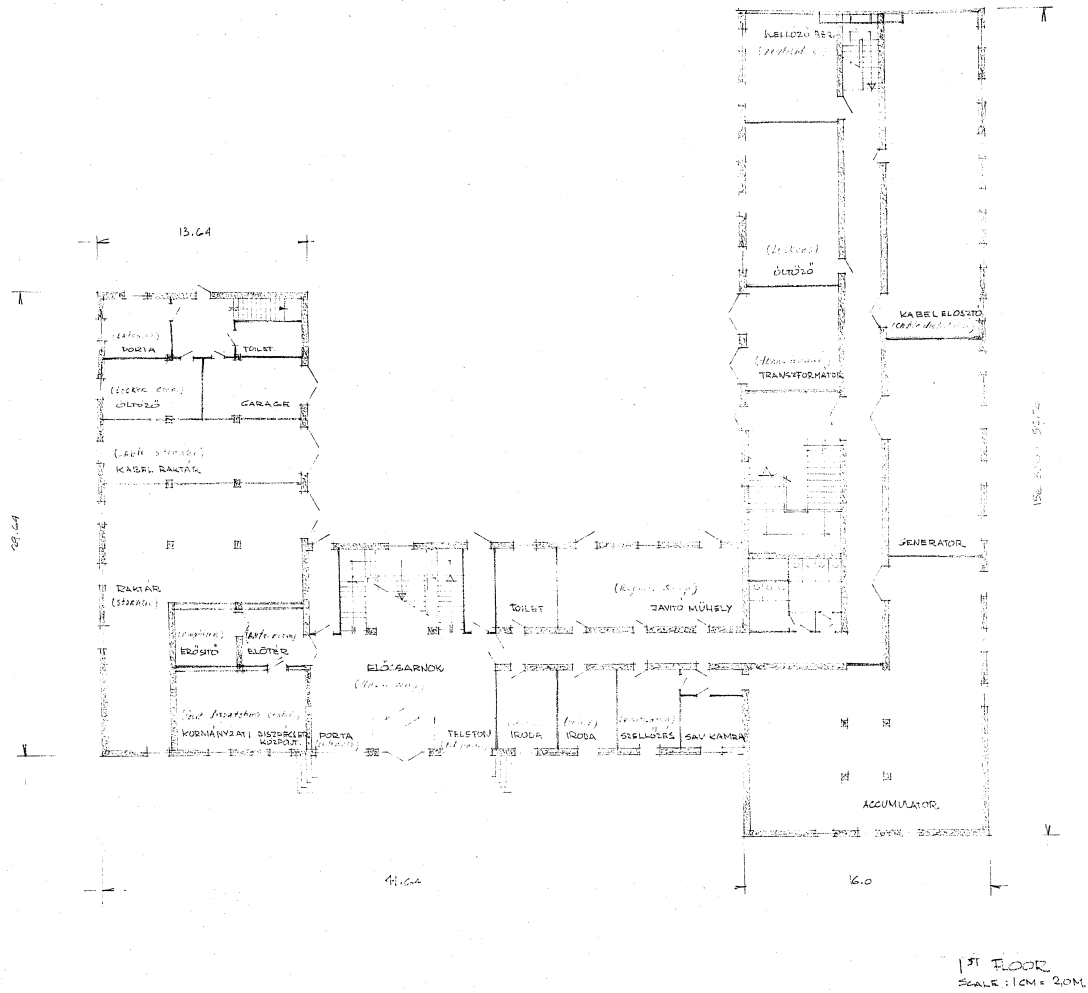
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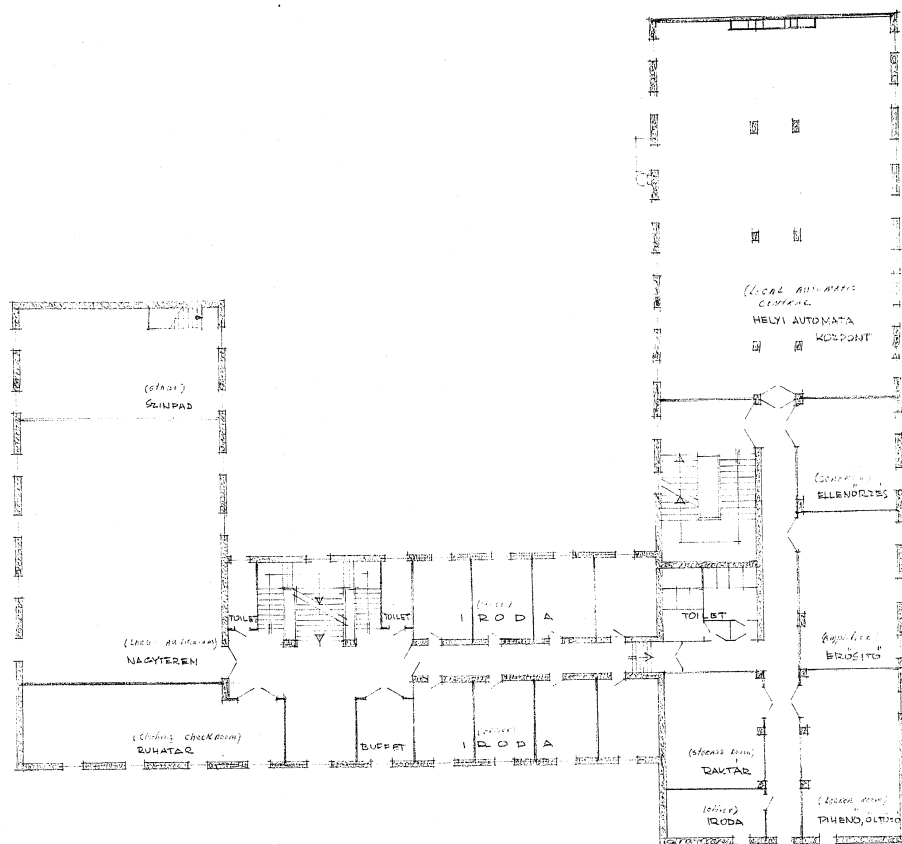
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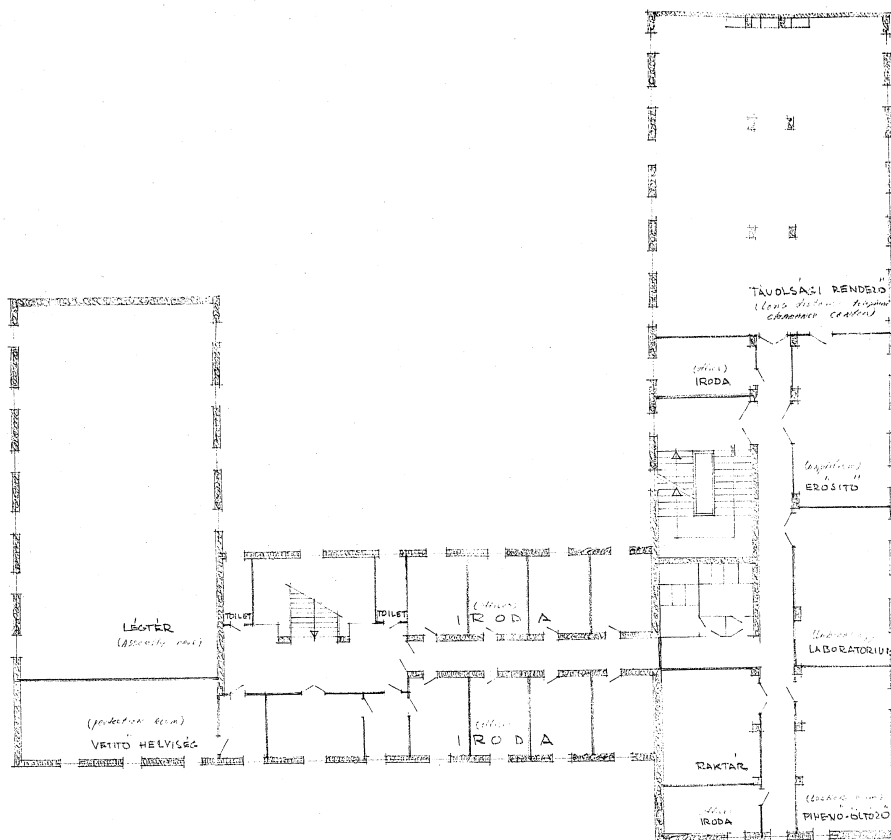
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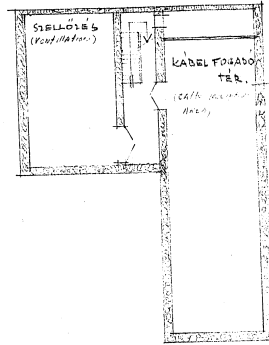


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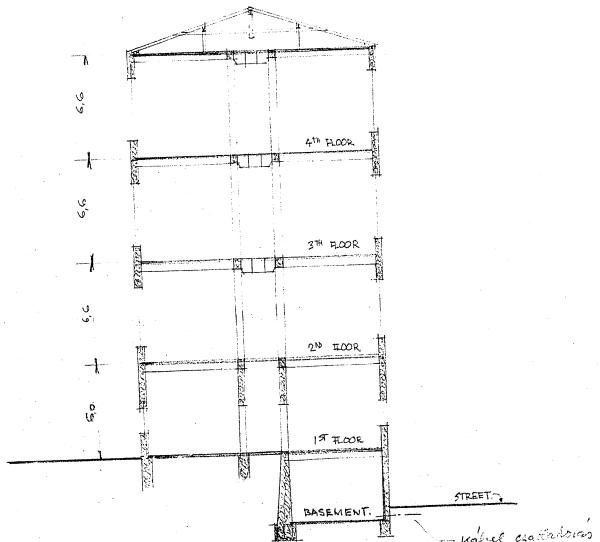
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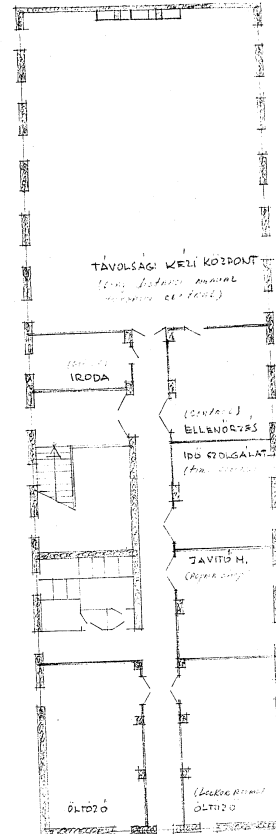
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